

UNION SCALE CUT, SAY CARPENTERS

Charges of Discrimination
on Government Work.

TO PROTEST TO PRESIDENT

Business Agent Learns Wages at
Pumping Station Is Twenty
Cents an Hour.

Local carpenters are planning to make a protest to President Roosevelt against what appears to them to be unjust discrimination against union men on Government work.

The protests will also go to the District Commissioners, and others in direct supervision of District and other Government work.

The workmen allege that the Government is attempting indirectly to break up the unions, by employing only men at less than the regular scale.

Joseph Kelly, the business agent in Washington of the United Brotherhood of Carpenters and Joiners, has been investigating conditions on the filtration plant, and he found that cheap men were employed.

Union Scale Cut.

The carpenters there are working ten hours a day at an average rate of 20 cents an hour, when they should receive \$3.50 a day for eight hours' work.

It seems that the men in charge of the work are also advertising regularly for men, and when union men apply and ask for the regular pay they are informed that the employers have all the help needed.

When asked why they have advertised after making this statement, they say that while they have all the men they need now, there might be vacant places in a few days.

The real purpose for this, the union men allege, is to bring a cheaper class of men, those known as "saw and hatchet men," to Washington, to come into competition with the union men.

The matter will be taken up at the next meeting of the carpenters.

When told by a Times reporter that the union carpenters intended filing a protest with the Commissioners, Commissioner Macfarland said that the Commissioners had long ago adopted the policy of the President—in paying union wages and showing no preference to union or to non-union men. The Commissioner further declared that there were no carpenters working for the District at the wages claimed in the union protest—20 cents an hour, and he could see no reason why the protest should be sent to the Commissioners.

PROLIFIC FAMILIES

WIN DAY ON SCHOOL

HAZLETON, Pa., April 1.—Despite the opposition of twelve almost childless school directors and their unfruitful constituents on the north side, the south side in this city, blessed with abundant offspring, are to have their coveted new \$35,000 school building.

MISSOURI MAN WHO IS ANXIOUS TO CORRAL A FOSTERMASTERSHIP;
SENDS A FAMILY GROUP PICTURE WHICH IS HIS ONLY CREDENTIAL



HENRY LOUIS MOORE, HIS WIFE, FIVE DAUGHTERS, AND SEVEN SONS.

WILL TEST ARMOR PLATE DOWN AT INDIAN HEAD

There will be some unusual tests at the naval proving ground at Indian Head, Md., next week, when there will be an "attack" upon an armored structure representing the side of a battleship of the Tennessee class.

It is proposed to use large and medium caliber guns in the attack and probably certain high explosives will be fired.

The purpose is to ascertain the resisting qualities of the armor as placed on the ship's side and to determine the value of certain internal construction as well as the efficiency of the splinter bulkheads.

JAMES J. FRAWLEY GIVEN HIS RELEASE

James J. Frawley, who was arrested Tuesday on a charge of perjury, as the result of his testimony in the case of Thomas and Walter White, convicted of attempt to commit housebreaking, has been released from custody on a cash deposit of \$500 as bail.

Frawley was a witness to prove an alibi in behalf of one of the defendants.

Two other witnesses who were also held for perjury in connection with the prosecution of the same case were also taken into custody.

FRIEND OF HELLO GIRLS NO RAVING LUNATIC

READING, Pa., April 1.—A commission in lunacy appointed to inquire into the mental condition of Ferdinand Homrich, an inoffensive young man of town, who has been acting strangely of late, decided that he was not a lunatic, but eccentric.

His most serious offense, according to the testimony of witnesses, was to whistle Gospel airs over the telephone and persist in reading evangelistic matter to the exchange girls.

DISTRICT BUYS LAND FOR STREET DEPARTMENT

Utilizing an item included in the last appropriation bill, Commissioner West yesterday recommended that lots 41, 42, 43, and K, in square 367, rented by the District and used by the Street Cleaning Department for some time past, be purchased.

The property is offered for sale by Westcott, Wilcox and Hieston, who are selling the estate of Sophie A. Parker, deceased, for the sum of \$15,000.

Wants Job on Strength Of His Family of Twelve

Henry Louis Moore Sends Picture of Himself, Wife, Five Daughters and Seven Sons as Recommendation for a Position.

Applicants for the position of postmaster generally endeavor to line up several Representatives and a United States Senator or two as their influence, and secure recommendations from the leading men of the community.

Not so with Henry Louis Moore, of Sedalia, Mo. He is now a transfer clerk in the Railway Mail Service, and wishes to become postmaster in his home town.

He merely forwards a picture to the Postmaster General for the President of himself and his family. The picture shows himself and his wife, and grouped around them are twelve healthy children, brought up by them in the period of eighteen years.

His Only Recommendation.

This is the only recommendation upon which he bases his request for promotion. The oldest child, a girl, is about seventeen or eighteen years old, and the youngest boy is four. There is not a bad-looking child in the twelve, and both Mr. and Mrs. Moore are still young-looking.

Mr. Moore is forty-three years old, and his wife is about forty-one. They have been married eighteen or nineteen years. The father of this remarkable family has been in the Railway Mail Service for several years, but is desirous of becoming postmaster at Sedalia.

This office is in the Presidential class, and pays \$2,800 per annum. President Roosevelt is the most prominent advocate of large families in the United States, and nothing pleases him more than to see a fine family of children.

Good Looking Family.

It is doubtful if the Moore group can be equaled anywhere in the country. There are five girls, one unusually pretty, and the other four nice looking, and seven stout and healthy boys. The youth of the father and mother also lends unusual interest to the family.

An interesting calculation is the amount of Mr. Moore's shoe and clothes bills. His shoe bill is about \$100 per year, and dresses for the girls and suits for the boys probably cost him \$150 per annum, at the least. These are but small items in the cost of sustaining such a family. Think what an enormous amount those twelve mouths can devour.

Regardless of these drawbacks, Mr. Moore is happy in the possession of such a number of fine boys and pretty girls.

There will not be a vacancy in the Sedalia office until next March. The present postmaster is John M. Glenn, and it is safe to say that he, knowing the President's great regard for large families, is feeling somewhat shaky about his job.

FIRST SIGHT OF SNOW FOR CALIFORNIA YOUTH

Orange Belt Visited by a Storm, Which
Enables Astonished Children to
Make "Snow Man."

LOS ANGELES, Cal., April 1.—One of the heaviest storms of snow and hail in the history of the State swept over the orange belt, extending from Los Angeles to the west, to the mountains east of Riverside and San Bernardino, and giving to southern California its first real touch of winter after a season of unusually mild weather and abundant rainfall.

Snow fell in such a quantity in Pomona that it was possible to make a "snow man"—the first ever seen in this city, which is in the very heart of the orange belt.

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